

## Contact Us

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## Events Diary

### March

Wed	6 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Lent Course
Wed	13 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Lent Course
Sun	17 <sup>th</sup>	12.30pm	Sunday Lunch
Wed	20 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Lent Course
Sun	24 <sup>th</sup>	11.30am	APCM
Sun	24 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm	Service of Music and Readings for Palm Sun
Good Fri	29 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Joint Service with Brimrod led by Rev Diane Hicks
Good Fri	29 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Come and Sing Event, Excerpts from The Messiah
Good Fri	29 <sup>th</sup>	6.30pm	Performance - Excerpts From The Messiah
<b>April</b>			
Sat	20 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Spring Fair

### Regular Events

**Open Church** – 1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays 10am-4pm  
**St Aidan's Art Group** – Mondays 12.45pm  
**Choir Practice** – Thursdays 7pm/7.45pm  
**FairTrade Stall** – last Sunday of the month  
**St. Aidan's Men's Group** – 1st Weds of the month  
**St. Aidan's Ladies Guild** – monthly meetings  
**St Aidan's Flower Group** – Fridays 7.30pm  
**Knitwits** – Fridays 2pm  
**Councillor's Surgery** – 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday 10.15am  
**Coffee Morning at All Souls** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat. 10.30am  
**Messy Church at All Souls** – last Sat. 10-11.30am  
**The Walking Group** – 1<sup>st</sup> Sat of the month

St. Aidan's C of E Parish Church  
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3<sup>rd</sup> March 2013

### Lent 3

Gospel Reading  
Luke 13; 1 - 9 - end

### Anthems

*Call to Remembrance*  
*Farrant*  
*Lord For Thy Tender*  
*Mercies Sake Farrant*

### Weekly Services

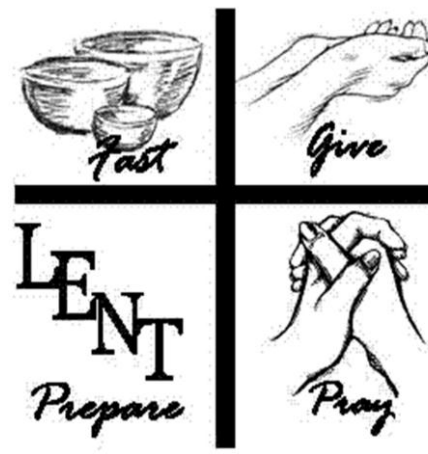
#### Sundays:

10am - Family  
Communion  
**Wednesdays:**  
9.30am - Holy  
Communion

*Weddings and Baptisms*  
*by appointment*



## St. Aidan's Church Sudden, Rochdale



### St Aidan's Lent Course at 8.00pm

Glimpses of God – The York Course  
Feb 13<sup>th</sup> - The God who hears our cry  
Feb 27<sup>th</sup> – The Shepherd who guides and  
guards his people  
March 6<sup>th</sup> The Son who is The Way, The  
Truth, & The Life  
March 13<sup>th</sup> – The God who shares our pain  
March 20<sup>th</sup> – The God who calms our fears

### The Lent Lunches at Heywood – 12.30pm

Feb 20<sup>th</sup> at St Joseph  
Feb 27<sup>th</sup> at Heywood Baptist  
March 6<sup>th</sup> at St James  
March 13<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Methodist  
March 20<sup>th</sup> at All Souls'



## *Welcome to St Aidan's Church*

We are a friendly caring church.  
If we can help you in any way, please speak to the Vicar,  
Sidespersons or any of the Church Officers.

**JUNIOR CHURCH:** our Children's Groups meet in the Hall during the Morning Service: Kindergarten (3-6); Adventurers & Explorers (7-14)

### **INTERCESSIONS**

Please add names for the Intercessions in the book at the back of Church.

### **GIFT AID LEGISLATION**

If you are a taxpayer and don't at present make use of the weekly envelope scheme, kindly use the Gift Aid Envelopes you will find near your seat. We will then be able to claim 25p for every £1 you give. Please remember to fill in your name and address.



*Refreshments  
are served in the Hall  
after the Service.*

### **DUTIES NEXT WEEK: March 10th Lent 4 – Mothering Sunday**

<b>Sidespersons</b>	D & M Benjamin, A Parry, M Swarbrick
<b>Coffee rota</b>	J Molloy, S Tolley, I Low
<b>Hall preparation</b>	J Molloy, W Hutton
<b>Junior Church</b>	Jane, Rachel, & Mary
<b>Open Church</b>	Wed Mar 6 <sup>th</sup> , am V Matterson, KDL,
<b>Church Cleaning</b>	Wed Mar 6 <sup>th</sup> pm E & R Ogden, E Fowler

Please email notices to [newsletter@staidan.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk) by noon on Weds and if you wish this notice sheet to be emailed to you every week, please contact [newsletter@staidan.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@staidan.org.uk)  
Please send items for the website to [webmaster@staidan.org.uk](mailto:webmaster@staidan.org.uk)

### **AT AIDAN'S ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETING**

This will be held on 24<sup>th</sup> March at 11.30am  
Everyone is welcome to attend

### **THE SAMARITANS**

As friends at St Aidan's have so kindly supported The Samaritans, On behalf of the committee I would like to invite you to attend the AGM of Rochdale, Oldham & District Samaritans on Thurs 21st March at All Saints C/E School Maud St OL12 0EL at 7.30pm  
The guest speaker will be HM Coroner Simon Nelson  
Alan ( from the choir )

### **ZUMBA FITNESS PARTY**

The event last Sunday raised £260. In addition the handmade cards and fairtrade stalls also did well so Church Funds are likely to benefit by £300 altogether. Thanks to everyone who helped with posters, ticketed, donations to raffle and homebaked refreshments, door, sound & lights, the stalls and to everyone who supported the event. I think everyone enjoyed themselves although they probably felt differently the day after when the aching began. Many Thanks Joanne

### **CHRISTIAN AID**

Christian Aid Campaign 2013 - Enough Food For Everyone  
1 in 8 people go to bed with the pain of hunger. It's a scandal! Please take action NOW! Ahead of the UK Budget on Wednesday 20 March, Christian Aid need you to e-mail or write to your MP, pressing them to raise the issues of Aid and Tax with the Chancellor of the Exchequer.  
Please see the board at the back of church for further details or speak to Judith Roberts.  
We can be the generation to end global hunger IF we make our politicians act!

### **FOODBANK NEWS**

A meeting of volunteers marking the first six months of operation in Rochdale learned that over 750 vouchers had been received during that period resulting in 10.5 tonnes of emergency food being issued to help 1350 people including 400 children. The meeting was also briefed on the changes to benefit payments due in April and the likely increased demand for Foodbank's help that these changes would bring. Your help with regular donations is therefore increasingly needed; please see the 'shopping list' by the container at the back of Church for details of what is needed or speak to John or Sheila Tolley.

### **MESSY CHURCH**

The next Messy Church is on Easter Saturday 10 – 11-30 am, at All Souls' celebrating Easter with crafts  
This is aimed at all the family and everyone is welcome  
It will finish by 11.30 with refreshments  
Its Church but not as you know it!!!!!!!